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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Seth Redmore

Application No.: 09/356,086

Group No.: 2134

Filed: July 16, 1999

Examiner: Norman M. Wright

For: HARDWARE BASED SECURITY GROUPS, FIREWALL LOAD SHARING, AND FIREWALL REDUNDANCY

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:
  - i. Prior to abandonment of the application

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10\*

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## ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is:  
An amendment

### FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: 770.00

### FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col.1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY			
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE		
TOTAL	20	- 20	= 0	x \$ 18.00	= \$	0.00	
INDEP.	2	- 3	= 0	x \$ 86.00	= \$	0.00	
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ \$ 290.00	= \$	0.00	
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE					\$	0.00	

No additional fee for claims is required.

### EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply.  
Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

### TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$	770.00
Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d))	\$	0.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$	770.00

**PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE**

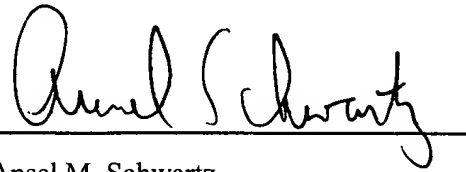
8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

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Please charge any required additional fee(s) for § 1.17(e), § 1.16(b)-(d) and/or § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 19-0737.

**INVENTORSHIP**

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Ansel Schwartz", is written over a horizontal line.

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